

Supplementary Information

AP-1 and TGF β cooperativity drives non-canonical Hedgehog signaling in resistant basal cell carcinoma

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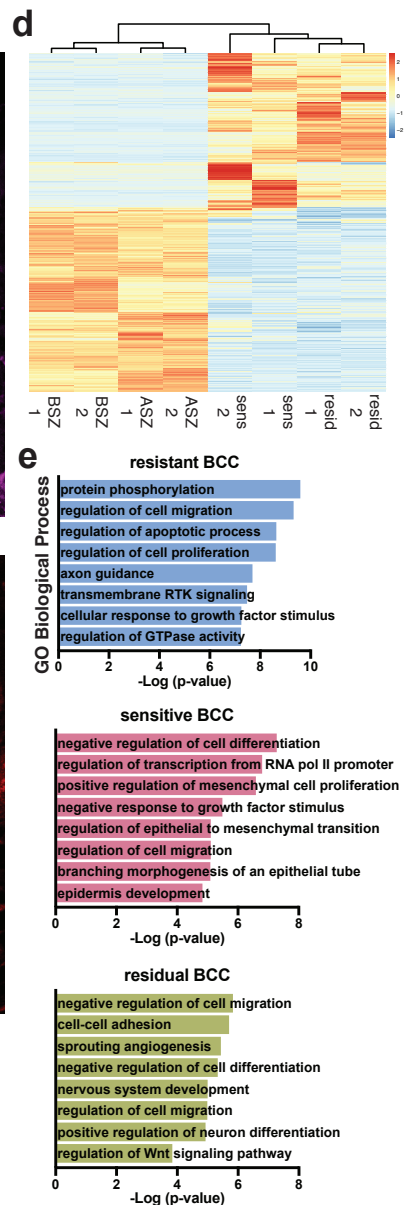
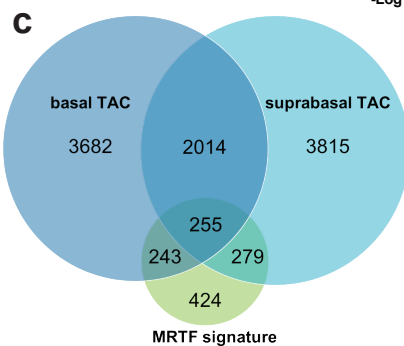
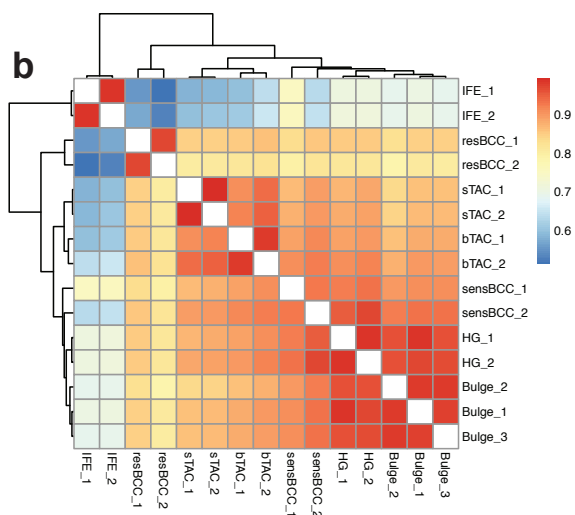
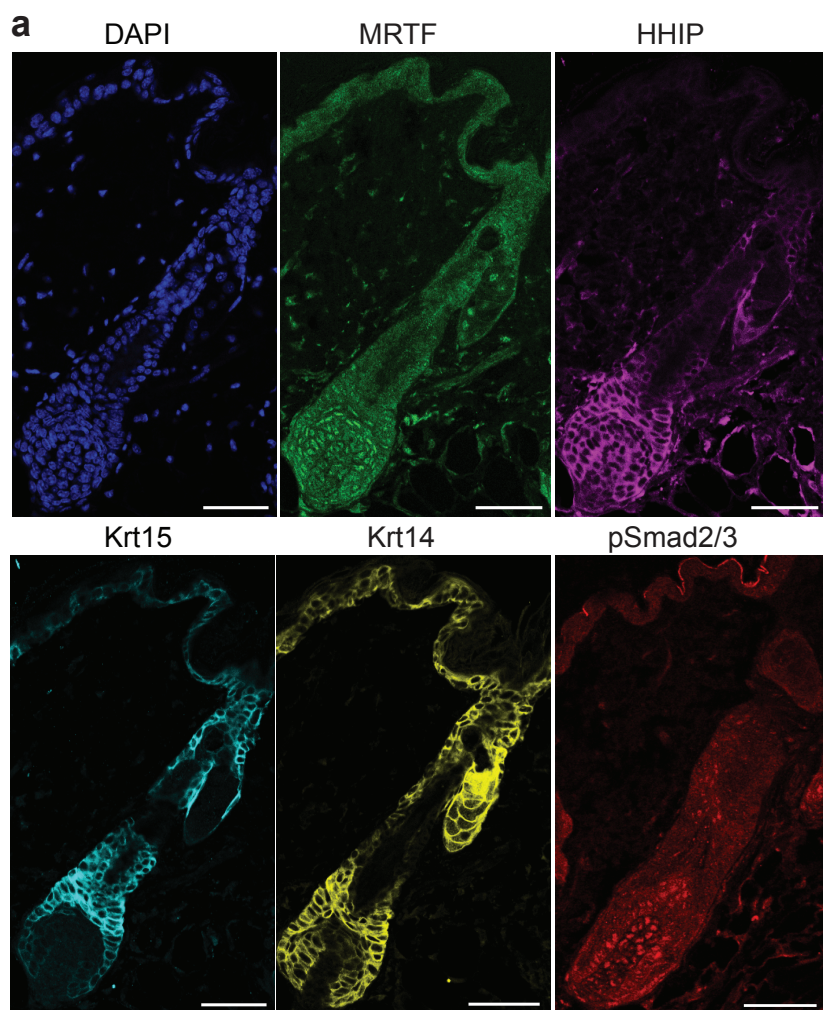
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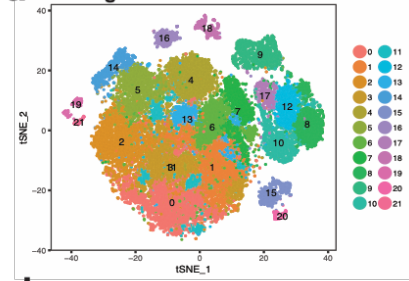
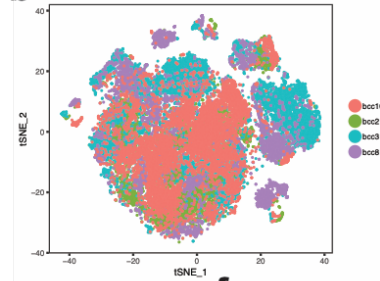
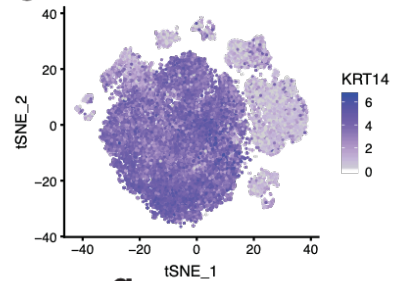
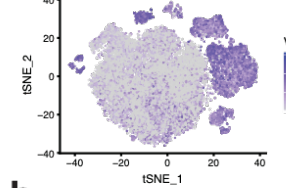
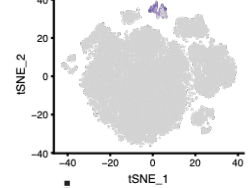
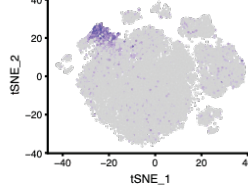
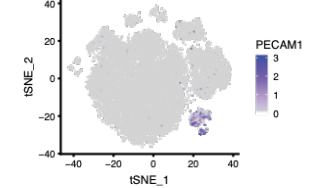
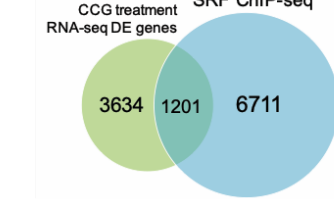
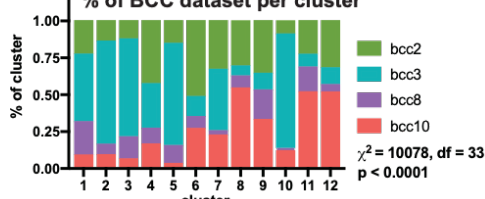
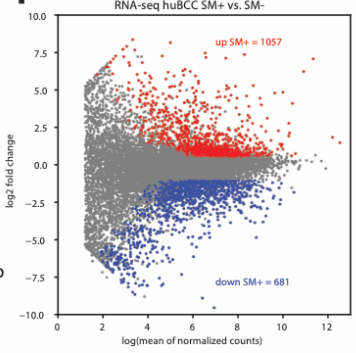
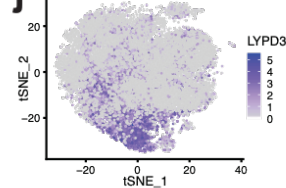
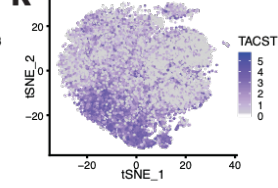
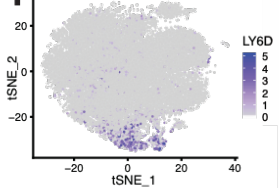
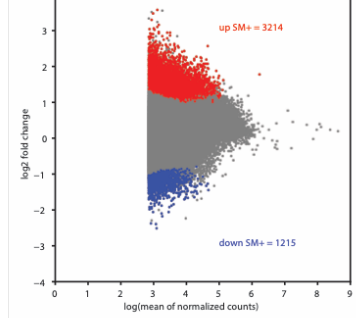
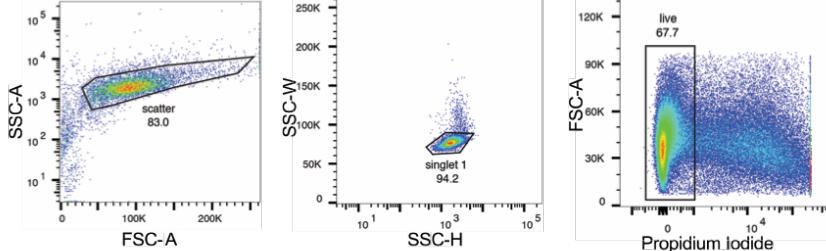
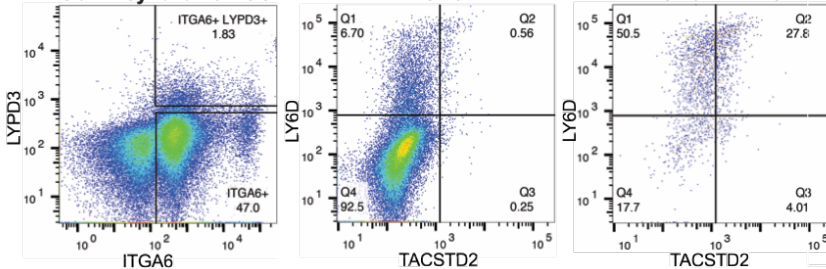
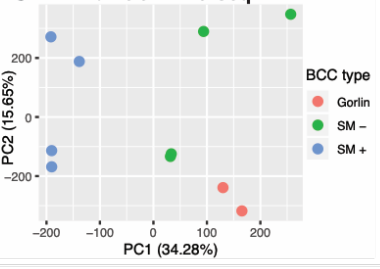
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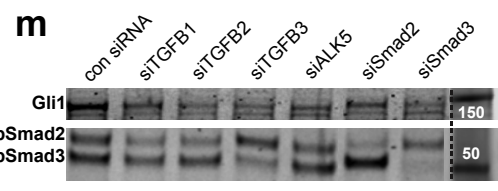
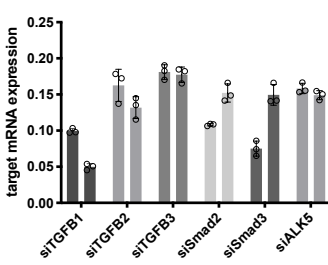
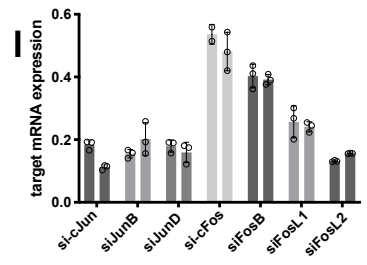
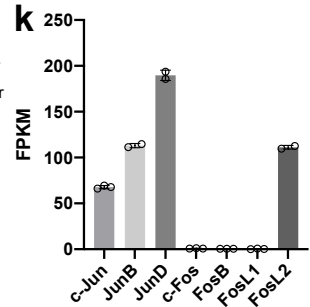
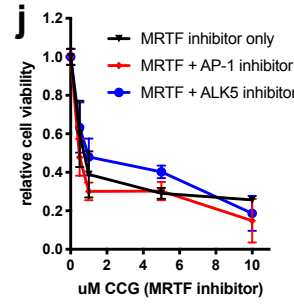
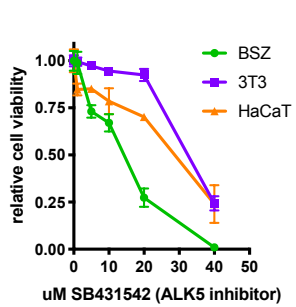
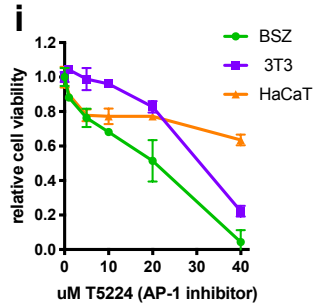
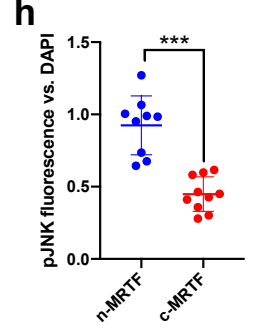
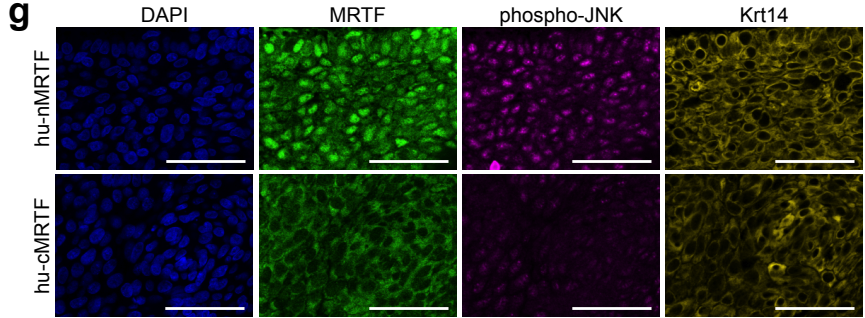
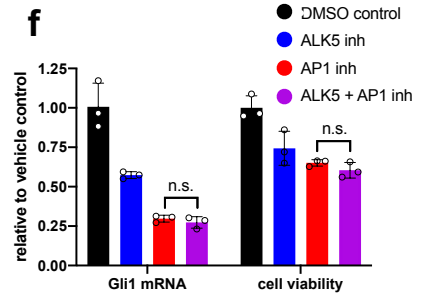
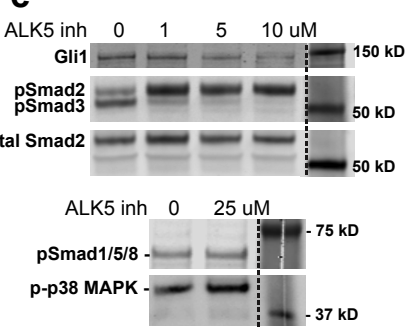
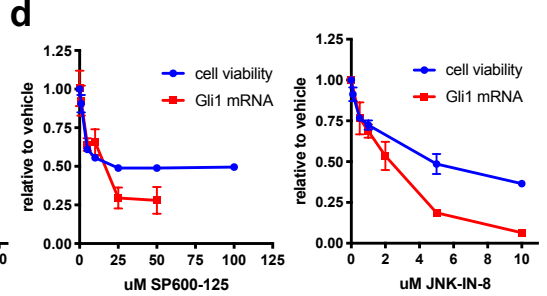
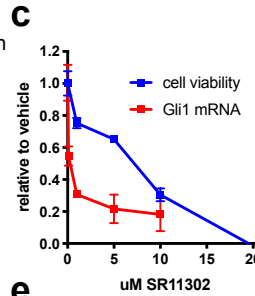
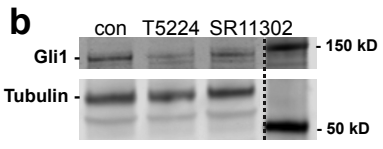
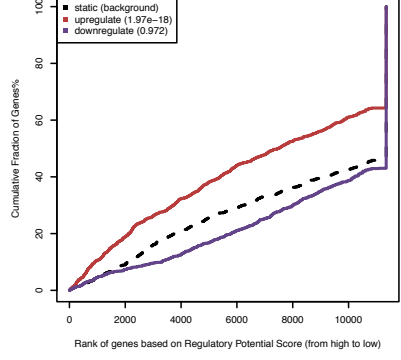
- a. Larger sized image versions of Figure 1a, showing expression levels of DAPI, MRTF, HHIP, Krt15, Krt14, and pSmad2/3. Images are representative of $n > 50$ hair follicles examined.
- b. Correlation plot of ATAC-seq profiles depicted in Figure 1c, including ASZ001 murine resistant BCC cell line (resBCC), sensitive murine BCC (sensBCC), basal transit-amplifying cells of hair follicle (bTAC), bulge hair follicle stem cells (Bulge), hair germ (HG), interfollicular epidermal stem cells (IFE), and suprabasal transit-amplifying cells of hair follicle (sTAC). See Supplementary Table 1 for data sources.
- c. Venn diagram showing overlap of target genes on the MRTF signature list (Supplementary Table 4), and genes associated with basal or suprabasal TAC-specific ATAC signals (source in Supplementary Table 1).
- d. Heatmap showing clustering of differential ATAC-seq peaks from resistant BCC cell lines (ASZ and BSZ), sensitive BCCs from *K14-creER;Ptch1^{fl/fl};Tp53^{fl/fl}* mice (sens), and residual BCC after 14 days of vismodegib treatment (resid). Thresholds set at fold change > 3 or < -3 and FDR < 0.01 . Color bar shows relative ATAC-seq signal (z-score of normalized read counts).
- e. Enriched gene ontology (GO) Biological Process terms for each population in (d). p-values calculated by Fisher exact test.

a 4 integrated naive huBCCs**b** distribution of BCC datasets**c** KRT14**d** VIM**e** PTPRC**f** IVL**g** PECAM1**h** CCG treatment RNA-seq DE genes**i** % of BCC dataset per cluster**p** RNA-seq huBCC SM+ vs. SM-**j** LYPD3**k** TACSTD2**l** LY6D**q** ATAC-seq huBCC SM+ vs. SM-**m** huBCC FACS gating**n** Gorlin syndrome BCC**o** huBCC ATAC-seq

Supplementary Figure 2. LYPD3, TACSTD2, and LY6D mark the resistant nMRTF subpopulation in naïve patient BCCs.

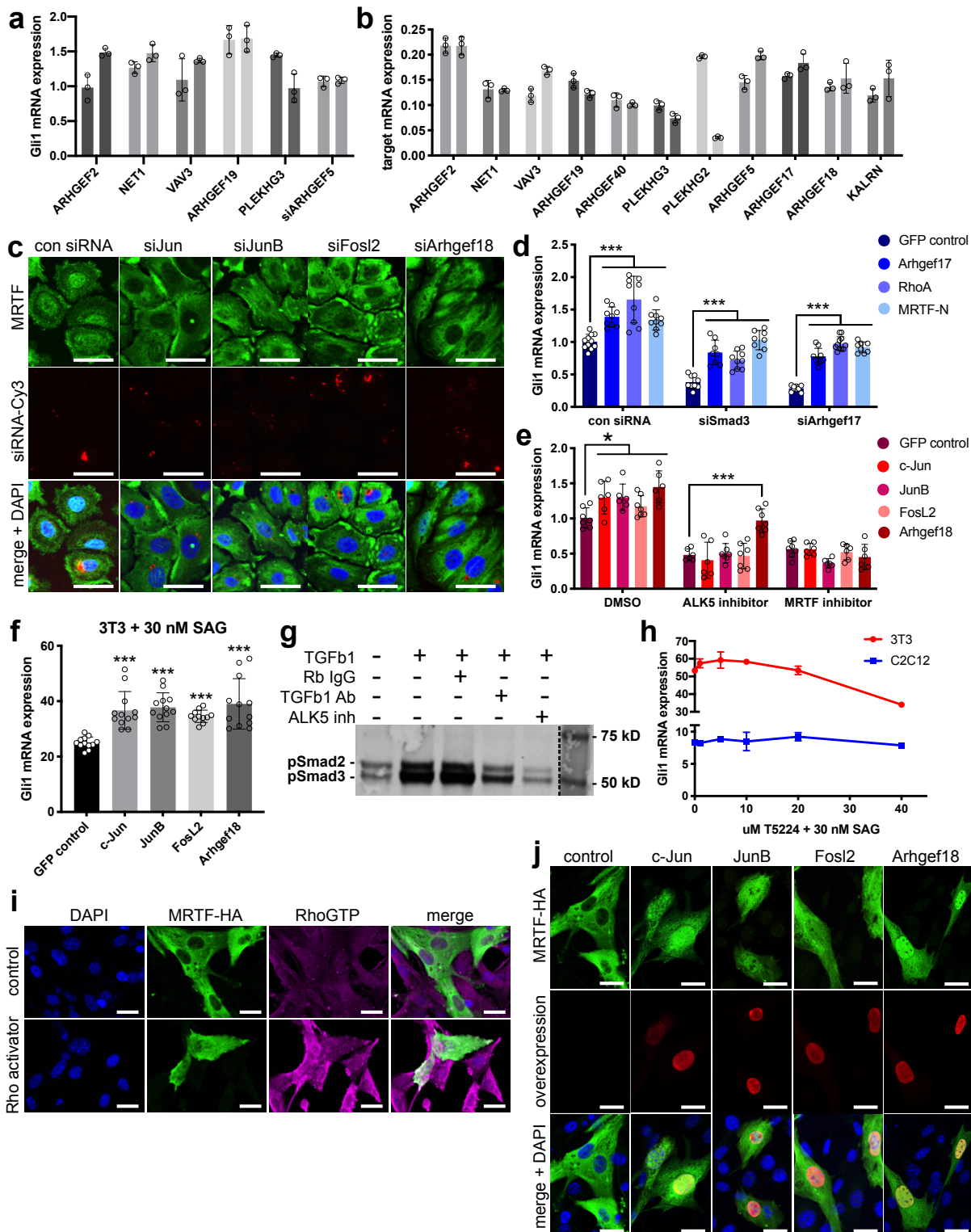
- a. tSNE plot of unbiased clustering for combined scRNA-seq datasets from 4 patient BCC tumors. Clustering conducted post multi-CCA alignment.
- b. Distribution of 4 BCC datasets across clusters from (a).
- c. Expression distribution of Krt14 marking epithelial cells, vimentin marking fibroblasts (d), PTPRC marking immune cells (e), involucrin marking differentiated keratinocytes (f), and PECAM-1 marking endothelial cells (g) among BCC scRNA-seq clusters.
- h. Overlapped gene lists from previous RNA-seq (differentially expressed genes with treatment of MRTF inhibitor CCG-1423) and SRF ChIP-seq (peaks mapped to nearest gene by GREAT) conducted in resistant ASZ001 cells, used to define MRTF-active signature. See also Supplementary Table 4.
- i. % distribution of four original BCC datasets in each ranked cluster, post Krt-14 expression filtering. Chi-squared test statistic with p-value shown.
- j. Expression distribution of LYPD3, TACSTD2 (k), and LY6D(l) across scRNA-seq clusters of patient BCC tumors filtered for positive Krt14 expression.
- m. Representative FACS plots showing initial gating for sorting of naïve human BCC.
- n. Representative FACS plots showing expression of ITGA6, LYPD3, TACSTD2, and LY6D in Gorlin syndrome patient BCC.
- o. PCA plot of ATAC-seq datasets from ITGA6+ Gorlin patient BCC cells (Gorlin), naïve patient BCC ITGA6+LYPD3+TACSTD2+LY6D+/- (SM+) cells and ITGA6+LYPD3-TACSTD2-LY6D- (SM-) cells.
- p. Differential peaks from RNA-seq of human naïve BCC cells sorted SM+ vs. SM-. Significance threshold set at $\log_2$ fold change > 1 or < -1 , $p < 0.05$. $n = 4$ biological replicates from 2 patients.
- q. Differential peaks from ATAC-seq of human naïve BCC cells sorted SM+ vs. SM-. Significance threshold set at $\log_2$ fold change > 1 or < -1 , $p < 0.05$. $n = 4$ biological replicates from 2 patients.

a huBCC SM+ vs. SM-
Activating/Repressive Function Prediction



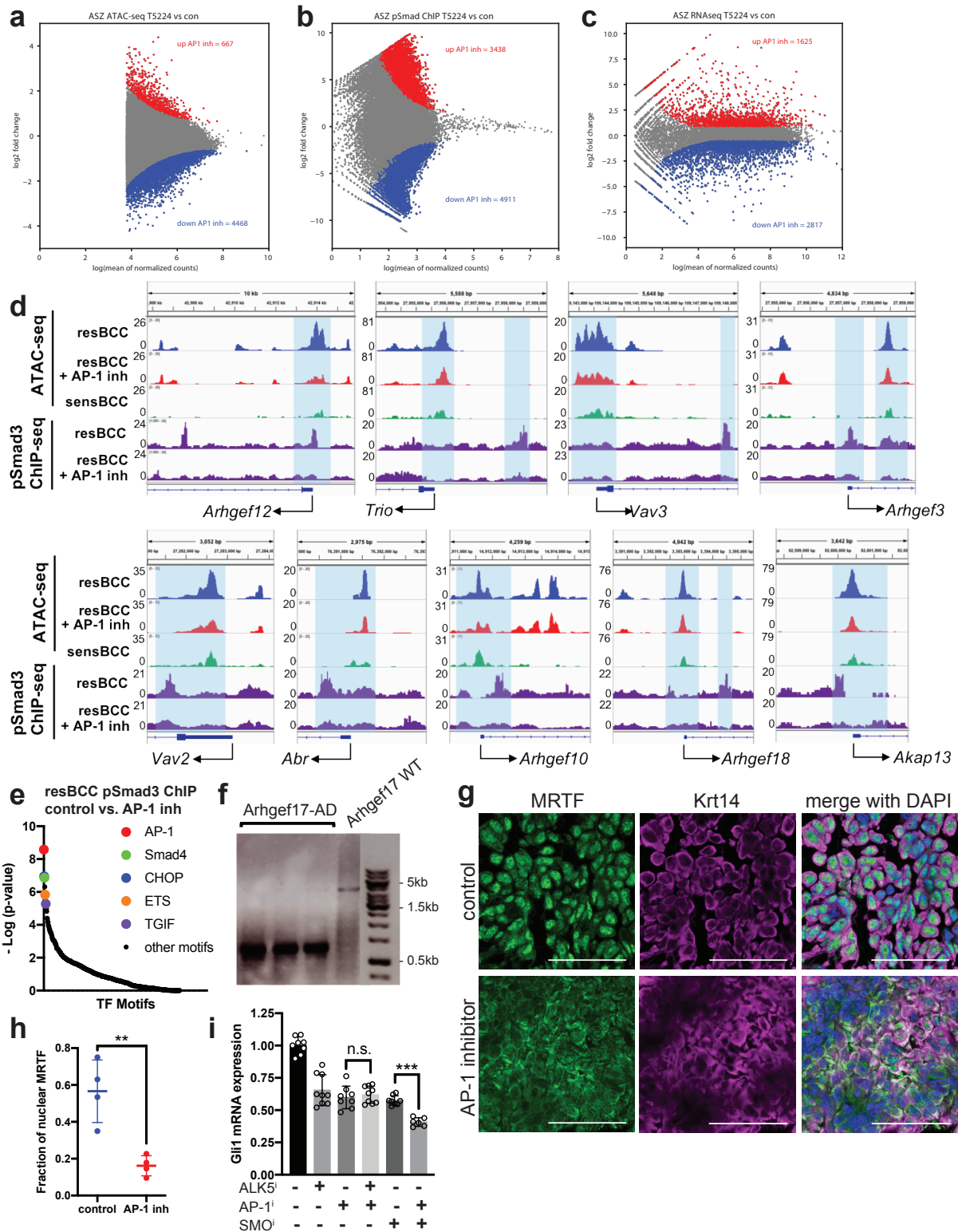
Supplementary Figure 3. Coincident AP-1 and TGF β signaling are required for BCC resistance.

- a. Activating/Repressive Function prediction graph from BETA integration of upregulated ATAC-seq peaks and RNA-seq differential expression analysis in sorted patient BCC SM+ vs. SM- cells.
- b. Western blot of ASZ001 cells after 24-hour treatment of AP-1 inhibitors 20 μ M T5224 or 5 μ M SR11302.
- c. *Gli1* qRT-PCR and MTS cell viability assay of ASZ001 cells treated with AP-1 inhibitor SR11302.
- d. *Gli1* qRT-PCR and MTS cell viability assays of ASZ001 cells treated with JNK inhibitors SP600-125 or JNK-IN-8.
- e. Western blot of ASZ001 cells after 24-hour treatment of 1, 5, 10, or 25 μ M of ALK5 inhibitor SB431542.
- f. *Gli1* qRT-PCR and MTS cell viability assays of ASZ001 cells treated with 10 μ M of ALK5 inhibitor SB431542, AP-1 inhibitor T5224, or both.
- g. Representative IF images of phospho-JNK in human BCCs with nuclear or cytoplasmic MRTF.
- h. Quantification of fluorescence intensity of phospho-JNK vs. DAPI in (g). Each point represents mean pixel intensity, normalized to mean DAPI intensity, averaged over at least three 100x100 micron microscopy fields. *** = $p < 0.0001$.
- i. MTS cell viability assays of BSZ, 3T3, or HaCaT cells treated with T5224 or SB431542 for 72 hours.
- j. MTS cell viability assay of ASZ001 cells treated with increasing doses of CCG only for 72 hours, or CCG + 10 μ M SB431542 or 10 μ M T5224.
- k. FPKM values of AP-1 subunit mRNA expression in ASZ001 cells.
- l. Validation of siRNAs in ASZ001 cells with target gene qRT-PCR. Each pair of matching-colored bars represents two distinct siRNA oligos per target gene. Open circles on all bar graphs represent biological replicates. All error bars represent mean $\pm$ SD. P-values calculated by unpaired, two-tailed Student's t-test.
- m. Western blot of ASZ001 cells transfected with TGFB family siRNAs for 48 hours. All western blot images are representative of at least three independent experiments, with far-right columns showing molecular weight markers.



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- c. IF of MRTF expression in ASZ001 cells transfected with Cy-3 conjugated siRNAs against AP-1 family members and Arhgef18.
- d. Epistatic studies measured by *Gli1* qRT-PCR of ASZ001 cells transfected with siRNAs and overexpression constructs. *** = $p < 0.0001$.
- e. Epistatic studies measured by *Gli1* qRT-PCR of ASZ001 cells transfected with AP-1 subunit and Arhgef18 overexpression constructs and treated with inhibitors. * = $p < 0.05$, *** = $p < 0.0001$.
- f. *Gli1* qRT-PCR of NIH-3T3 cells transiently transfected with AP-1 subunit and Arhgef18 overexpression constructs. *** = $p < 0.0001$. Open circles on all bar graphs represent biological replicates. All error bars represent mean $\pm$ SD. P-values calculated by unpaired, two-tailed Student's t-test.
- g. Western blot of phosphorylated Smad2 and Smad3 protein levels in 3T3 cells stimulated with 1 ng/ml of TGFB1 protein and/or control IgG, anti-TGFB1 antibody, or 10 μ M ALK5 inhibitor SB431542. Image representative of at least three independent experiments. Molecular weight markers shown on far right column.
- h. *Gli1* qRT-PCR of 3T3 and C2C12 cells treated with 30 nM SAG and increasing doses of AP-1 inhibitor T5224.
- i. IF of MRTF localization and RhoGTP levels in 3T3s treated with 1 μ g/ml of Rho Activator II for 4 hours.
- j. IF of MRTF localization in 3T3s transfected with HA-tagged MRTF and AP-1 subunit or Arhgef18 overexpression constructs. All IF images are representative of $n > 50$ cells.



Supplementary Figure 5. AP-1 activity establishes the chromatin accessibility and Smad3 DNA binding profile of resistant BCC.

- a. Differential peaks from ATAC-seq of resistant ASZ cells treated with 20 μ M AP-1 inhibitor T-5224 for 24 hours. Significance threshold for (a)-(c) set at $\log_2$ fold change > 1 or < -1 , $p < 0.05$.
- b. Differential peaks from pSmad3 ChIP-seq of ASZ cells treated with 20 μ M AP-1 inhibitor T-5224 for 24 hours.
- c. Differential gene expression from RNAseq of ASZ cells treated with 20 μ M AP-1 inhibitor T-5224 for 24 hours.
- d. Representative ATAC-seq and pSmad3 ChIP-seq tracks at RhoGEF loci, visualized in IGV.
- e. Transcription factor motifs enriched at resistant ASZ001 Smad3 binding peaks, which are downregulated with AP-1 inhibition ($\log_2$ fold change < -1 , $p < 0.05$).
- f. Image of agarose gel of PCR products confirming deletion from three separate ASZ001 cell lines generated by CRISPR-Cas9 targeting the first intron of *Arhgef17*, named Arhgef17 ATAC-peak deletion (Arhgef17 AD).
- g. Representative IF images of MRTF and Krt14 staining in naïve patient BCC explants treated with DMSO control or 10 μ M AP-1 inhibitor SR11302 for 24 hours. Scale bar = 50 μ m.
- h. Quantification of cells in (g) containing nuclear MRTF in naïve patient BCC explants treated with DMSO control or AP-1 inhibitor. Each point represents fraction of MRTF-nuclear cells out of all Krt-14 positive cells from one tumor sample, averaged over at least three 300 x 300 μ m microscopy fields. ** = $p = 0.0039$.
- i. qRT-PCR of Gli1 mRNA expression in naïve patient BCC explants after 24 hour treatment with DMSO control, 40 μ M ALK5 inhibitor SB431542, 10 μ M AP-1 inhibitor SR11302, 1 μ M SMO inhibitor vismodegib, or combinations. *** = $p < 0.0001$, calculated using unpaired, two-tailed Student's t-test. Open circles represent biological replicates. All error bars represent mean $\pm$ SD.

Sample name	Source	SRA #s
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resid-BCC	Biehs et. al (2018). A cell identity switch allows residual BCC to survive Hedgehog pathway inhibition. <i>Nature</i> , 562(7727), 429–433	SRR7511807 SRR7511808
basal TAC	Adam, R. et. al (2018). Temporal Layering of Signaling Effectors Drives Chromatin Remodeling during Hair Follicle Stem Cell Lineage Progression. <i>Cell Stem Cell</i> , 22(3), 398-413.e7.	SRR5808767 SRR5808768
suprabasal TAC	Adam, R. et. al (2018). Temporal Layering of Signaling Effectors Drives Chromatin Remodeling during Hair Follicle Stem Cell Lineage Progression. <i>Cell Stem Cell</i> , 22(3), 398-413.e7.	SRR5808769 SRR5808770
Hair Germ	Adam, R. et. al (2018). Temporal Layering of Signaling Effectors Drives Chromatin Remodeling during Hair Follicle Stem Cell Lineage Progression. <i>Cell Stem Cell</i> , 22(3), 398-413.e7.	SRR5808765 SRR5808766
Bulge	Adam, R. et. al (2018). Temporal Layering of Signaling Effectors Drives Chromatin Remodeling during Hair Follicle Stem Cell Lineage Progression. <i>Cell Stem Cell</i> , 22(3), 398-413.e7.	SRR5808763 SRR5808764
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<i>Arhgef19</i>	GTCGCCCAGTAGCTGTGTG	CCTCTGGAGCAATGGGAAAGA
<i>Arhgef2</i>	TGATGACAGATGTGCTCGTGT	GCTTGTCCAGAGACGTGAAAAT
<i>Arhgef40</i>	GCCCGTAAGAGCACTGGAG	CCCTGAAGGTGAGTCGGAAG
<i>Arhgef5</i>	GTCAGAAGCATCTTACCTGCG	CGAGAGAAGAGCCACTGATGAT
<i>Ect2</i>	AACTTGTGCTTGGCGTCTACT	TTCCTCCGATTTTCCAGGACA
<i>Fos</i>	CGGGTTTCAACGCCGACTA	TTGGCACTAGAGACGGACAGA
<i>FosB</i>	TTTTCCCGGAGACTACGACTC	GTGATTGCGGTGACCGTTG
<i>Fosl1</i>	ATGTACCGAGACTACGGGGAA	CTGCTGCTGTGCGATGCTTG
<i>Fosl2</i>	CCAGCAGAAGTTCCGGGTAG	GTAGGGATGTGAGCGTGGATA
<i>Gli1</i>	CCAAGCCAACTTTATGTCAGGG	AGCCCGCTTCTTTGTTAATTTGA
<i>Jun</i>	CCTTCTACGACGATGCCCTC	GGTTCAAGGTCATGCTCTGTTT
<i>JunB</i>	TCACGACGACTCTTACGCAG	CCTTGAGACCCCGATAGGGA
<i>JunD</i>	GAAACGCCCTTCTATGGCGA	CAGCGCGTCTTTCTTCAGC
<i>Kalrn</i>	CCGACTCTTGGACTACCTTATGA	CGACCCTACAGTTGTGCAG
<i>Net1</i>	CGGCGAACGAGAGATGCTC	CTCCTTCAAATCAAGGCTGCTA
<i>Plekhg2</i>	GAATCCAGGGTTTCGGTGAAAC	AATCTTCGCTTCTTTGCACGA
<i>Plekhg3</i>	AGGTTGAGACAGATCCTGAGC	GGGTTGTCCACTCCTAGCAG
<i>Serpine1</i>	TTCAGCCCTTGCTTGCCCTC	ACACTTTTACTCCGAAGTCGGT
<i>Smad2</i>	ATGTCGTCCATCTTGCCATTC	AACCGTCCTGTTTTCTTTAGCTT
<i>Smad3</i>	CATTCCATTCCCGAGAACTAA	GCTGTGGTTCATCTGGTGGT
<i>Spata13</i>	GTTAGGCTTCGAGTCAATCAGG	ATGACGTTGGTCCGCATCTG
<i>Tgfb1</i>	CTCCCGTGGCTTCTAGTGC	GCCTTAGTTTGGACAGGATCTG
<i>Tgfb2</i>	CTTCGACGTGACAGACGCT	GCAGGGGCAGTGTAACCTTATT
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<i>Tgfbr1</i>	TCTGCATTGCACTTATGCTGA	AAAGGGCGATCTAGTGATGGA
<i>Vav3</i>	CCTGCTGCGATACCTTTGGAA	GTGTTTCGGGATAGCCGAGATA

Supplementary Table 2: List of mouse primer sequences used for qRT-PCR.

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<i>Arhgef17</i>	SASI_Mm02_00295341	SASI_Mm02_00295342	SASI_Mm02_00295343
<i>Arhgef18</i>	SASI_Mm01_00196299	SASI_Mm01_00196300	SASI_Mm02_00339079
<i>Arhgef19</i>	SASI_Mm01_00059936	SASI_Mm01_00059937	SASI_Mm01_00059938
<i>Arhgef2</i>	SASI_Mm01_00087177	SASI_Mm02_00314012	SASI_Mm01_00087179
<i>Arhgef40</i>	SASI_Mm01_00026546	SASI_Mm02_00350899	SASI_Mm01_00026547
<i>Arhgef5</i>	SASI_Mm02_00338623	SASI_Mm02_00338624	SASI_Mm02_00338625
<i>Ect2</i>	SASI_Mm01_00046597	SASI_Mm01_00046599	SASI_Mm01_00046600
<i>Fos</i>	SASI_Mm01_00192758	SASI_Mm01_00192759	SASI_Mm01_00192760
<i>FosB</i>	SASI_Mm01_00145146	SASI_Mm01_00145147	SASI_Mm01_00145148
<i>Fosl1</i>	SASI_Mm01_00062525	SASI_Mm01_00062526	SASI_Mm02_00318095
<i>Fosl2</i>	SASI_Mm01_00201000	SASI_Mm01_00201001	SASI_Mm01_00201002
<i>Jun</i>	SASI_Mm01_00046356	SASI_Mm01_00046357	SASI_Mm01_00046358
<i>JunB</i>	SASI_Mm01_00103237	SASI_Mm01_00103243	SASI_Mm02_00313865
<i>JunD</i>	SASI_Mm02_00318898	SASI_Mm01_00184444	SASI_Mm01_00184443
<i>Kalrn</i>	SASI_Mm02_00355143	SASI_Mm02_00355144	SASI_Mm02_00355145
<i>Net1</i>	SASI_Mm02_00291891	SASI_Mm02_00291892	SASI_Mm02_00291893
<i>Plekhg2</i>	SASI_Mm02_00299961	SASI_Mm02_00299962	SASI_Mm02_00299963
<i>Plekhg3</i>	SASI_Mm01_00164131	SASI_Mm01_00164132	SASI_Mm01_00164133
<i>Smad2</i>	SASI_Mm01_00022386	SASI_Mm01_00022387	SASI_Mm01_00022388
<i>Smad3</i>	SASI_Mm02_00323533	SASI_Mm01_00153031	SASI_Mm01_00153032
<i>Spata13</i>	SASI_Mm01_00233354	SASI_Mm01_00233355	SASI_Mm02_00430211
<i>Tgfb1</i>	SASI_Mm01_00114870	SASI_Mm02_00320969	SASI_Mm01_00114871
<i>Tgfb2</i>	SASI_Mm01_00038392	SASI_Mm01_00038393	SASI_Mm01_00038394
<i>Tgfb3</i>	SASI_Mm02_00315974	SASI_Mm01_00180187	SASI_Mm01_00180188
<i>Tgfbr1</i>	SASI_Mm01_00169048	SASI_Mm01_00169049	SASI_Mm01_00169050
<i>Vav3</i>	SASI_Mm01_00042662	SASI_Mm01_00042663	SASI_Mm01_00042664

Supplementary Table 3: List of product numbers for anti-mouse siRNA oligonucleotides synthesized by the Sigma MISSION predesigned siRNA system.